

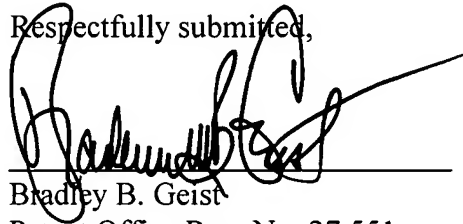
REMARKS

Claims 3, 4 and 14 are currently pending. Claims 1, 2 and 5-13 have been cancelled. Claim 14, from which Claims 3 and 4 depend, is newly added. No new matter has been introduced by the introduction of new Claim 14.

The grounds for the rejection of the previously pending Claims 1-4, as set forth in item No. 3 on pages 2-4 of the Official Action, is believed to be moot in view of the Amendment hereinabove. New Claim 14 is not anticipated by Rolf (DE 39 10 514) which discloses only one type of detection module 14 which can be attached by means 13, 23 to a mounting plate 10. The design of a communication module having uniform dimensions and shape for connecting different detection modules as now claimed, is also not obvious over Rolf in view of Brunius, and Kuezel (EP 0 707 293). None of these references concerns the problem of using different danger sensors in a security system. Further, the cited prior art doesn't give any hint or suggestion to one of ordinary skill in the art to implement a security system as presently claimed. Therefore the security system according to new Claim 14 is regarded to be patentable over the prior art.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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